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AKI-D in ICU e non ICU, la stessa patologia? Come la trattiamo?

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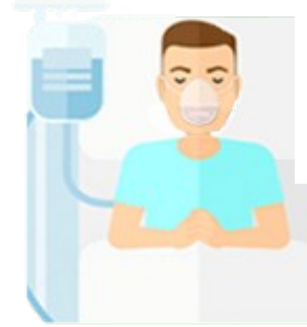
Acute Kidney Injury treated with Dialysis: Differences between ICU and non-ICU setting

- ▶ **Are they the same pathology?**
- ▶ **Are they treated at the same way?**
- ▶ **Do they have the same outcomes?**

Introduction

- ▶ Whereas causes and outcome of AKI-D in ICU are described extensively, few data exist about AKI-D patients treated outside ICU (general or specialist medical or surgical departments).
- ▶ AKI-D has experienced a dramatic increase over a 20-years period. The epidemiology of AKI appears to be rapidly changing and this represents the most important challenge for the Nephrologist in the next few years.

In-hospital AKI



**MORE THAN 50 % OF ICUs
PATIENTS DEVELOP AKI**



**AKI INCREASES
THE LENGTH OF HOSPITAL STAY**

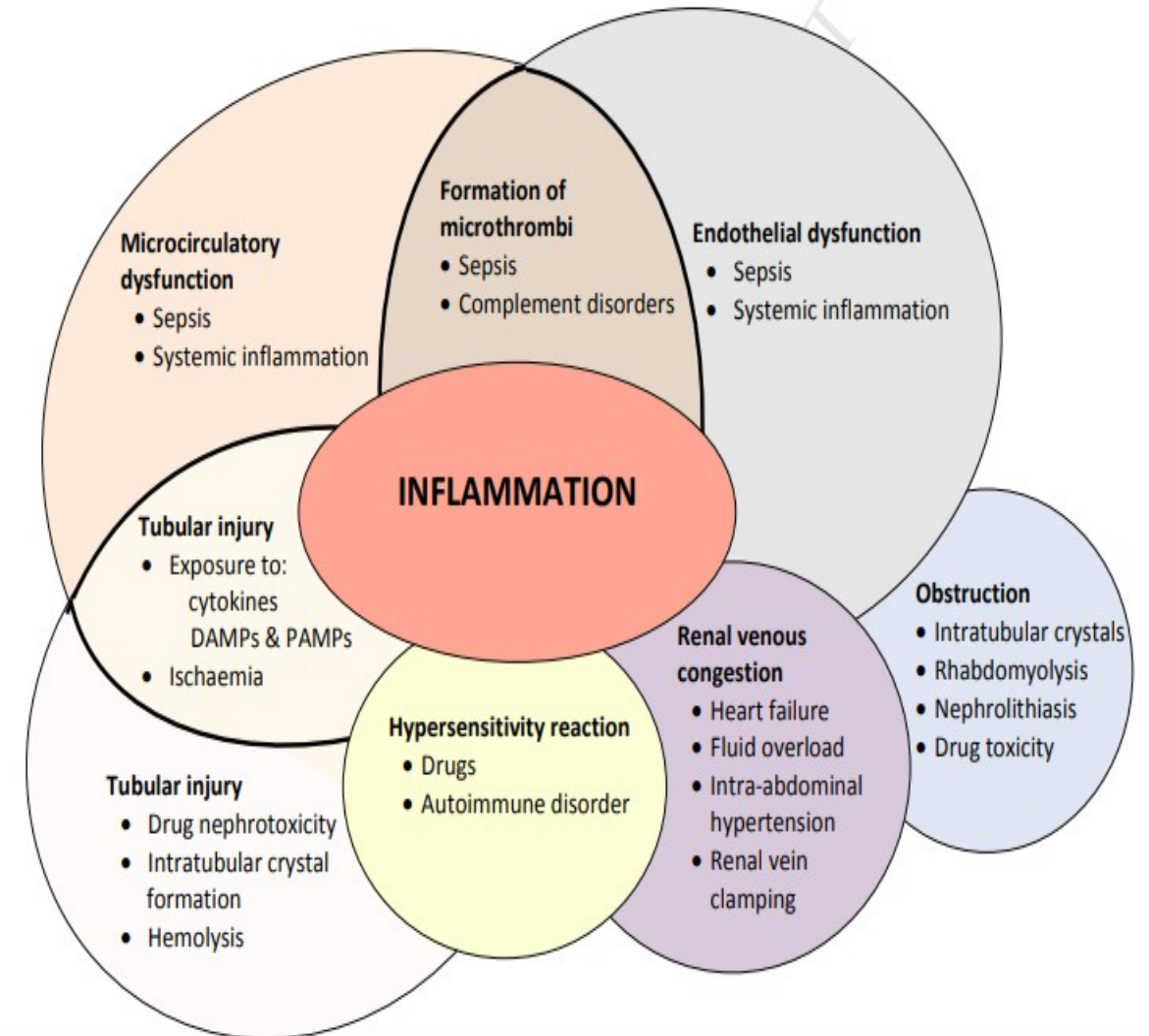
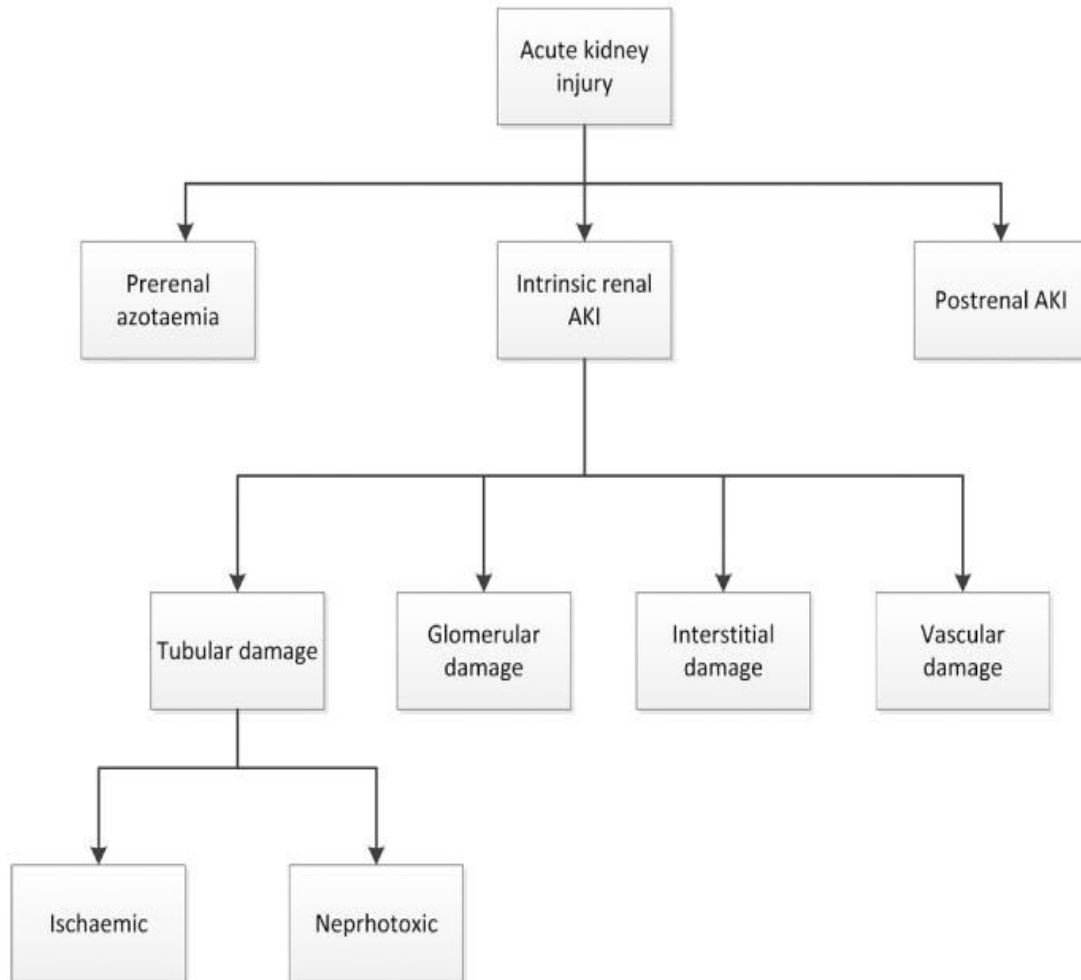
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**MORTALITY RATE IS
INCREASED
5-TIMES IN ICU PATIENTS
WITH AKI**

**ADDITIONAL ICU COSTS
ARE ASSOCIATED WITH AKI**



Etiology and pathophysiology of AKI



AKI-D in the ICU: Epidemiology

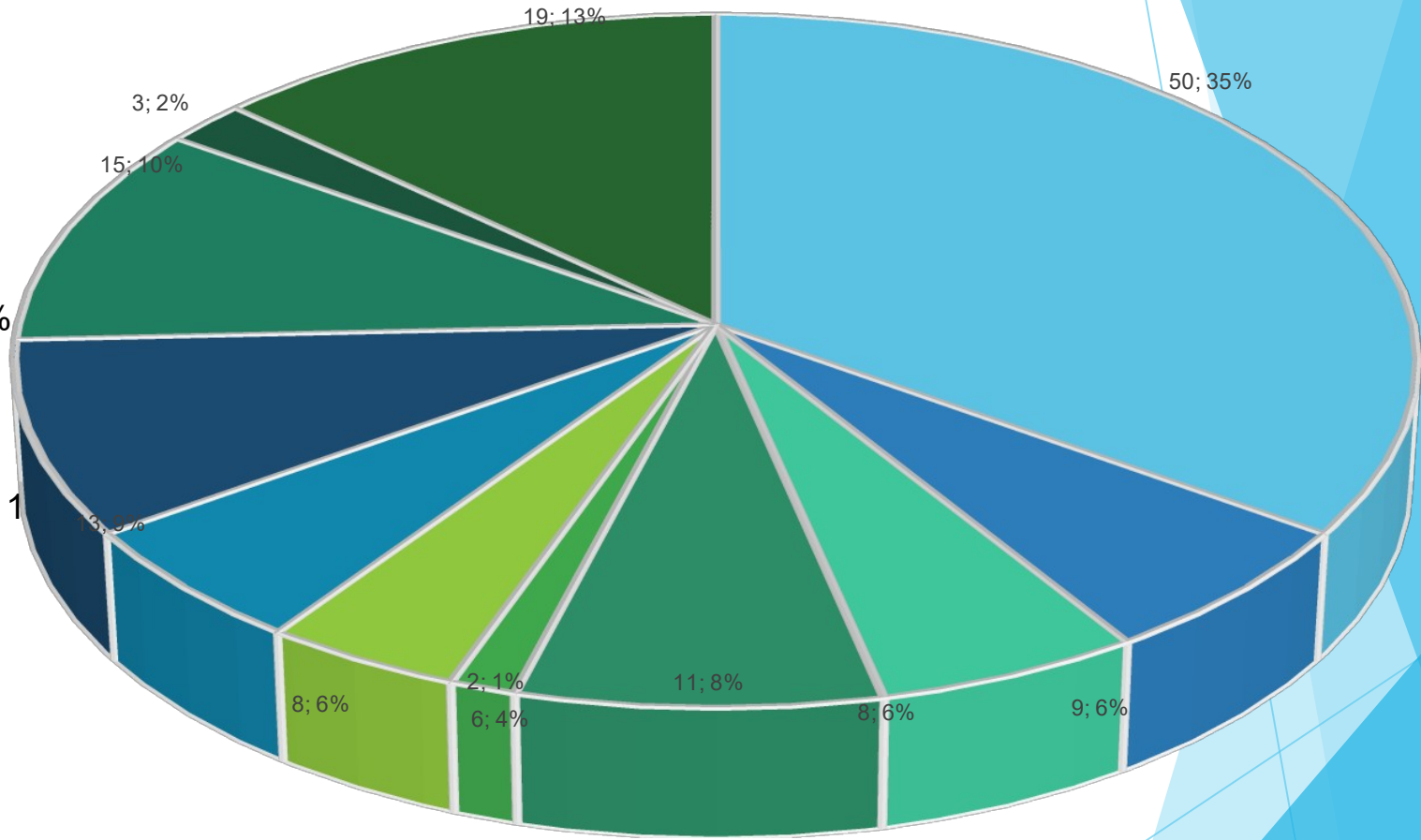
- ▶ Sepsis associated AKI
- ▶ Surgery associated AKI
- ▶ AKI associated with hypoperfusion
- ▶ Nephrotoxic AKI

AKI in the ICU is Hospital-acquired in most cases

MAIN SUPPOSED CAUSES OF AKI IN CRITICALLY ILL PATIENTS TREATED WITH CRRT (2022)

SEPSIS / SEPTIC SHOCK, 35%

- COVID-19 INFECTION, 6%
- CRUSH SYNDROME / POLITRAUMA, 8%
- HEART DECOMPENSATION, 10%
- HEPATO-RENAL SYNDROME, 9%
- CARDIAC-SURGERY COMPLICATIONS, 13%
- HEART TRANSPLANTATION, 6%
- DRUG INTOXICATION, 4%
- HEMORRAGIC SHOCK, 2%
- CEREBROVASCULAR DISEASES, 1%
- NEOPLASTIC DISEASES, 6%



AKI-D Outside the ICU: Epidemiology

Hemodynamic Group 68.7%

- ▶ Diarrhea 39.8%
- ▶ Septic diseases 17%
- ▶ Heart failure 13.6%
- ▶ Pneumonia 5.7%
- ▶ Acute coronary syndrome 4.6%

Non-Hemodynamic group 31.3%

- ▶ Interstitial nephritis 37.5%
- ▶ RPGN 10%
- ▶ Rhabdomyolysis 10%
- ▶ Cast nephropathy 7.5%
- ▶ Contrast induced AKI 7.5%
- ▶ Poisoning 5%

AKI-D outside ICU is community-acquired in 70.3% of cases

AKI-D treated outside the ICU is most often caused by renal hypoperfusion. It predominantly afflicts elderly patients with one or more comorbid conditions, who are treated with Diuretics and RASI and have an acute illness leading to volume depletion. Early discontinuation of these drugs may be a successful strategy to avoid AKI-D in vulnerable patients.

Table 3. Exposure to variant medication combination causing AKI-D.

	All	Hemodynamic	Non-hemodynamic	P*
	N (%)	N (%)	N (%)	
Diuretics and RASI	59 (46.1)	51 (58%)	8 (20.0%)	<0.001
Diuretics and RASI and NSAID	12 (9.4%)	10 (11.4%)	2 (5.0%)	0.34
Diuretics and NSAID	16 (12.5%)	12 (13.6%)	4 (10.0%)	0.78
RASI and NSAID	17 (13.3%)	13 (14.8%)	4 (10.0%)	0.58

Abbreviations: NSAID, non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs.

*group difference hemodynamic vs non-hemodynamic

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Table 4. Logistic regression analysis of risk factors for hemodynamic vs non-hemodynamic AKI-D.

Variable	Simple model		Multivariable model	
	OR (95% CI)	P	OR (95% CI)	P
Age (per year)	1.06 (1.03–1.10)	<0.001	1.05 (1.01–1.08)	0.015
Gender (1 = men, 0 = women)	0.45 (0.20–0.99)	0.048	0.44 (0.18–1.08)	0.073
RASI (1 = yes, 0 = no)	3.39 (1.56–7.39)	0.002	2.93 (1.23–6.98)	0.015
Loop diuretic (1 = yes, 0 = no)	4.71 (1.89–11.79)	0.001	3.48 (1.30–9.32)	0.013

Abbreviations: RASI, inhibitors of the renin-angiotensin-aldosterone system; OR, odds ratio; 95% CI, 95% confidence interval.

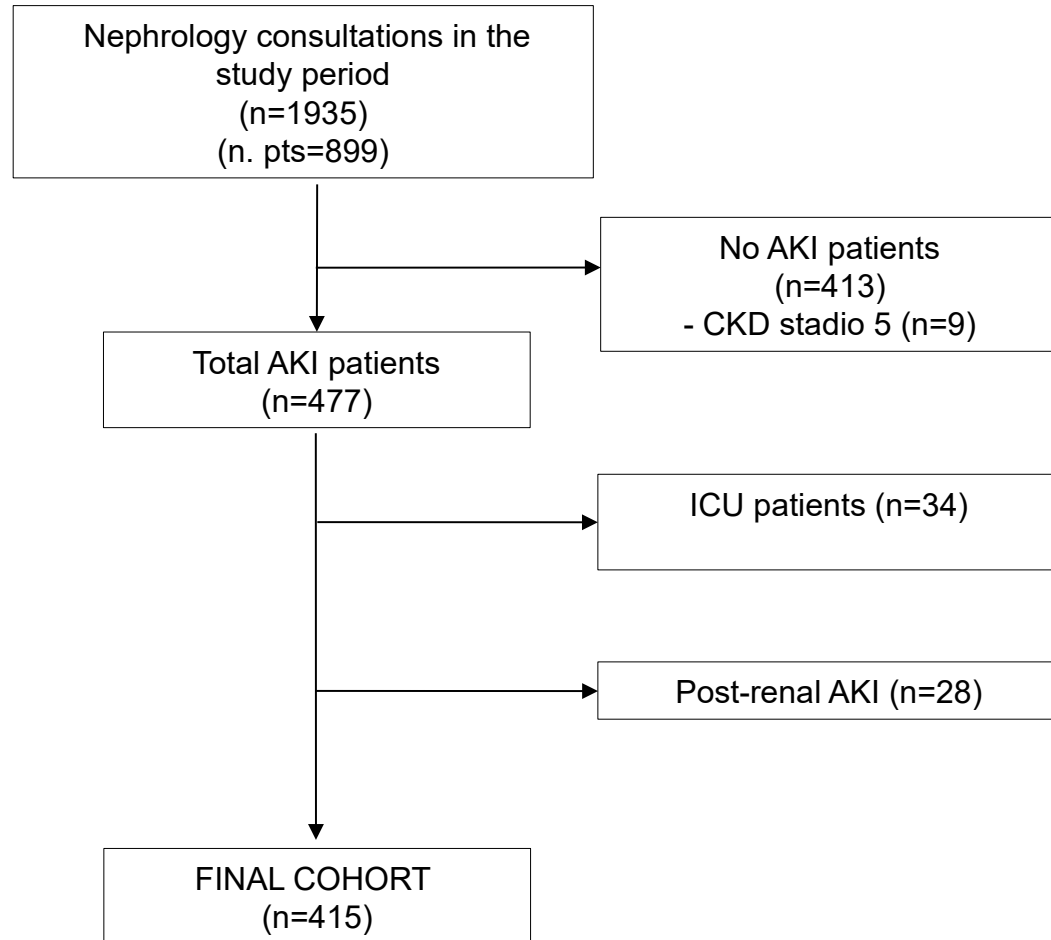
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Table 5. Renal and patient outcome.

	Non-hemodynamic	Hemodynamic	P
Recovery of kidney function	34 (85.0%)	69 (78.4%)	0.383
Death	5 (12.5%)	17 (19.3%)	0.343
Dialysis or death	7 (17.5%)	20 (22.7%)	0.502

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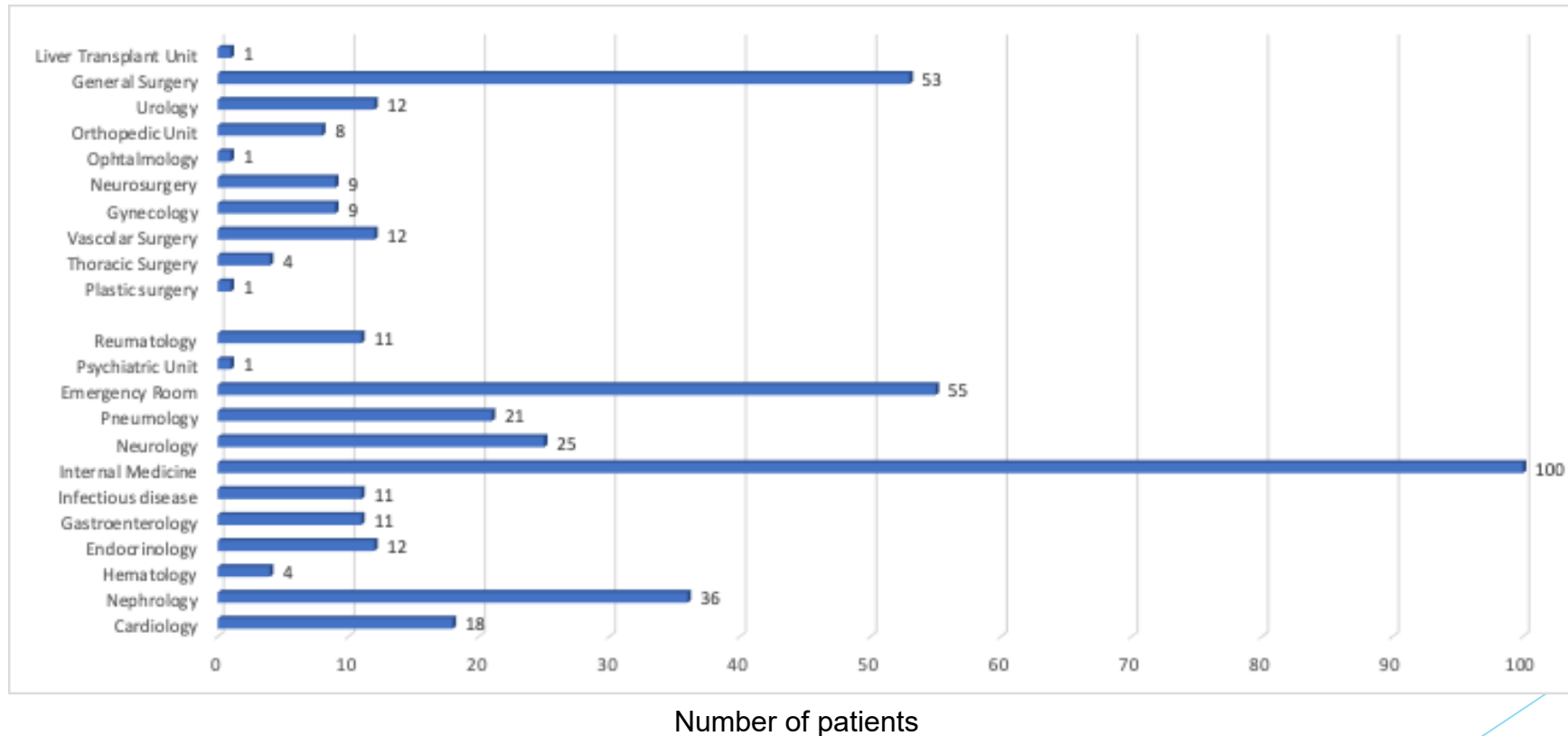
AKI in non critically ill patients



	All AKI patients (n=415)
Age, years, median (IQR)	76 (65-84)
Gender (M/F)	245 (59%) /170 (41%)
Baseline sCr, mg/dl, median (IQR)	1.3 (1-1.8)
Baseline estimated GFR, ml/min/1.73m ² , median (IQR)	52 (32-71)
Comorbidities	
Chronic kidney disease before hospital admission	
No CKD (eGFR >60 ml/min/1.73 m ²)	158
G3 (eGFR 30-59 ml/min/1.73 m ²)	137
G4 (eGFR 15-29 ml/min/1.73 m ²)	67
Unknown	53
Hypertension	184 (65.4%)
Cardiovascular disease	223 (53.9%)
Chronic respiratory disease	130 (31.3%)
Diabetes mellitus	127(30.6%)
Malignancy	112 (20.1%)
Hepatic disease	28 (6.8%)
Transplantation	16 (3.7%)
Length of hospital stay, days, median (IQR)	15 (8 - 26)
Time of nephrology consultation since hospital admission, days, median (IQR)	2 (0 - 6)

AKI settings

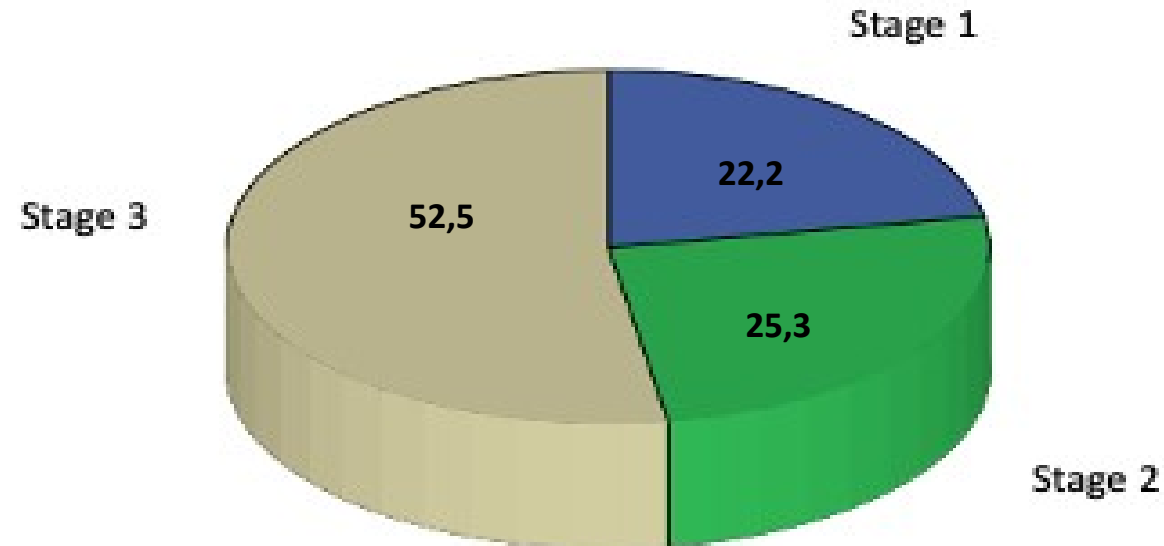
Medical wards	305 (73.5%)
Surgical wards	110 (26.5%)



Timing of AKI episodes and staging

Timing of AKI onset	
•CA-AKI, n (%)	230 (55.4%)
•HA-AKI, n (%)	185 (44.6%)

AKI STAGES



Main supposed causes involved in AKI

	All patients (n=415)
Aetiology of AKI episodes	
Pre-renal, n (%)	354 (85.3%)
Renal, n (%)	61 (14.7%)
Renal hypoperfusion, n (%)	84 (20.4%)
Nephrotoxin exposures, n (%)	45 (10.9%)
Sepsis / septic shock, n (%)	168 (39.8%)
Major surgery, n (%)	14 (3.5%)
Cardiorenal Syndrome, n (%)	67 (16.3%)
Rapidly progressive glomerulonephritis, n (%)	22 (5.4%)
Hepatorenal Syndrome, n (%)	8 (2.1%)
Hemorrhagic shock, n (%)	7 (1.6%)

AKI episodes and main outcomes

	All patients (n=415)
Admission sCr, mg/dl	2.1 (1.3-3.5)
Admission eGFR, mg/dl	27 (15-47)
Peak sCr	3.3 (2.3-5)
Discharge sCr	1.7 (1.1-2.6)
Discharge eGFR	36 (19-63)
RRT-requiring AKI	54 (13%)
Days on AKI	16 (10-31)
Days on RRT	10 (3-20)
Renal recovery after AKI	197 (47.5%)
Dialysis dependence at hospital discharge	12 (2.9%)
Transfer to ICU	30 (7.2%)
Length of hospital stay, days, median (IQR)	15 (8 - 26)
In-hospital death	153 (36.9%)

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Renal replacement therapy in the ICU VS non-ICU setting

- ▶ The indications for commencement of RRT for AKI patients are the same for all modalities, such as fluid overload, hyperkalemia, acidosis and uremic syndrome that are refractory to medical therapy.

- ▶ The acute RRT available include:
 - CRRT (continuous renal replacement therapy);
 - IHD (intermittent hemodialysis);
 - Hybrid technique as SLED (sustained low efficiency dialysis) or SCUF (slow continuous ultra-filtration)

Typical setting of different RRT modalities

	SCUF	CVH	CWHD	CVHDF	PD	SLED	IHD
Blood flow (ml/min)	100–200	150–250	150–250	150–250	N/A	100–300	200–300
Predominant solute transport principle	convection	convection	diffusion	diffusion + convection	diffusion	diffusion	diffusion
Ultrafiltrate (ml/h)	100–300	1500–2000	variable	1000–1500	variable	variable	variable
Dialysate flow (ml/h)	0	0	1500–2000	1000–1500	1–2 l per exchange	100–300 ml/min	300–500 ml/min
Effluent volume (l/d)	2–8	36–48	36–48	36–72	24–48	N/A	N/A
Replacement fluid for zero balance (ml/h)	0	1500–2000	0	1000–1500	0	0	0
Urea clearance (ml/min)	1–5	25–33	25–33	25–33	variable	80–90	variable

CVH, continuous venovenous hemofiltration; CWHD, continuous venovenous hemodialysis, CVHDF, continuous venovenous hemodialfiltration; IHD, intermittent hemodialysis; N/A, not applicable; PD, peritoneal dialysis; SCUF, slow continuous ultrafiltration; SLED, slow low-efficiency dialysis.

Renal replacement therapy in the ICU VS non-ICU setting

CRRT

(Continuous renal replacement therapy)

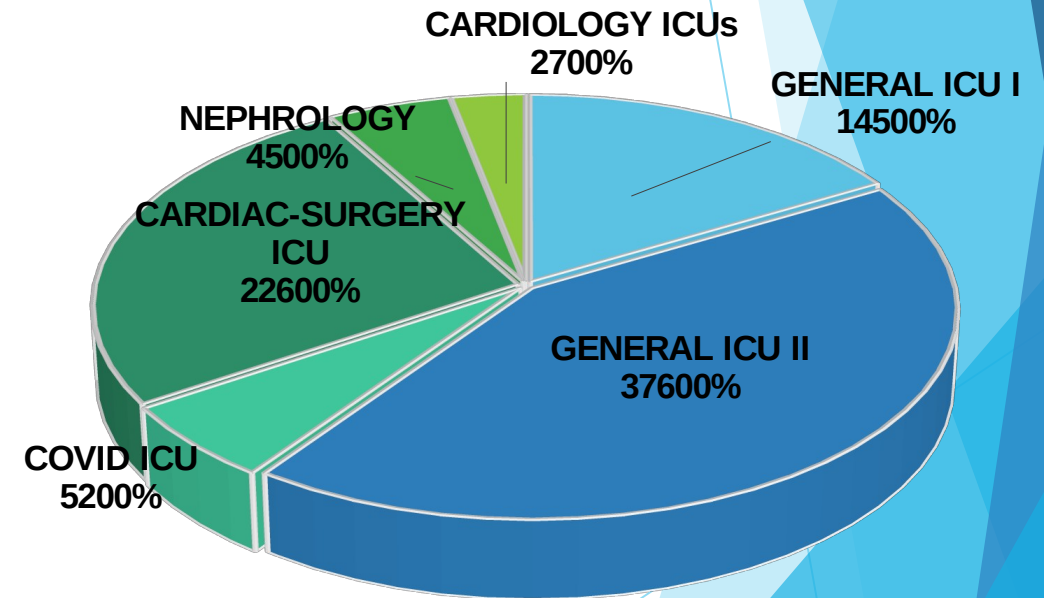
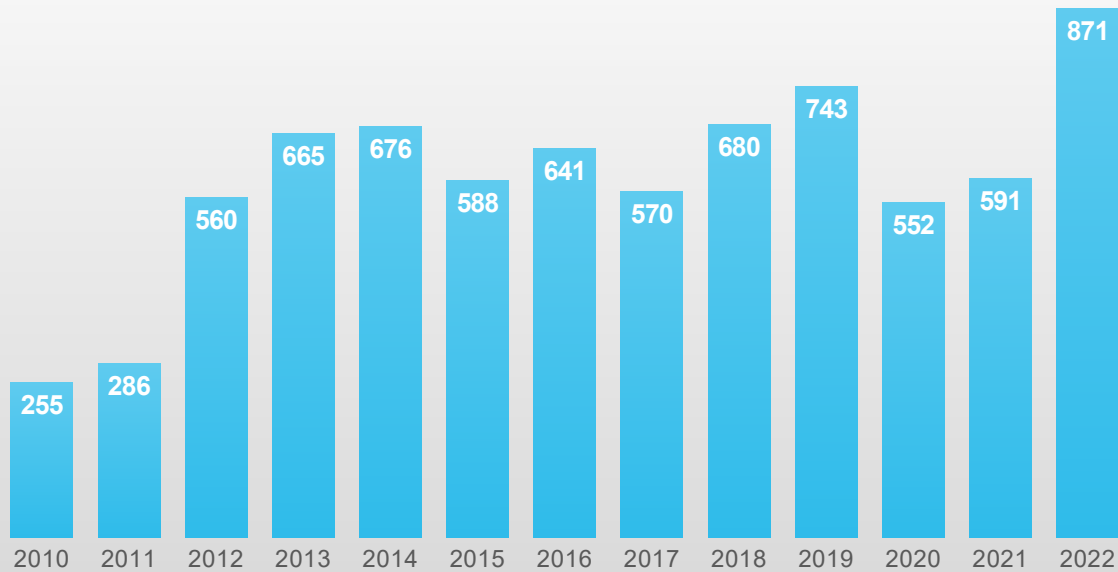
- ▶ Based on mechanism of solute transport, CRRT is divided into:
 - CVVH (Continuous veno-venous Haemofiltration) where solutes are removed by convection;
 - CVVHD (Continuous veno-venous HaemoDialysis) where solutes are removed by diffusion;
 - CVVHDF (Continuous veno-venous HaemoDiaFiltration) which combines convection and diffusion).
- **Advantages**
 - Less cerebral edema;
 - Prevention of fluid overload
 - Optimal kidney support for patients with hemodynamic instability

CRRT are the most used RRT in the contest of ICU setting.



CONTINUOUS RENAL REPLACEMENT THERAPY (CRRT) IN CRITICALLY ILL PATIENTS ADMITTED IN INTENSIVE AND SUB-INTENSIVE CARE UNITs AT POLICLINICO - BARI

Number of CRRT treatments



Renal replacement therapy in the ICU VS non-ICU setting

IHD (Intermittent Hemodialysis)



- IHD uses higher dialysate flow rates than CRRT
- **Advantages**
 - Rapid removal of dialyzable substances
 - Requires less anticoagulation during treatment than CRRT
 - It is an alternative option in resource-limiting settings
- **Disadvantages**
 - Increased risk of hypotension

IHD are the most used RRT in the context of non-ICU setting.



RESEARCH

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The effect of continuous versus intermittent renal replacement therapy on the outcome of critically ill patients with acute renal failure (CONVINT): a prospective randomized controlled trial

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RCT

Daily HD, 4 hours vs CVVH 35 ml/Kg/hour

switching of modality occurred in about 20% of intermittent hemodialysis (IHD) patients due to hemodynamic instability and/or significant fluid overload. In the continuous RRT group, switching of modality was indicated in 46% of cases because of repeated filter clotting, metabolic reasons, bleeding or issues with anticoagulation, thrombocytopenia or clinical improvement



Renal replacement therapy in the ICU VS non-ICU setting

SLED

(Sustained low efficiency dialysis)

- SLED is a modified form of IHD, with low dialysate and blood flow rate, and more prolonged duration than IHD
- Advantages
 - Better hemodynamic stability compare to IHD;
 - It has faster fluid and solutes removal than CRRT but slower than IHD;
 - It is an alternative option in resource-limiting settings

Seven RCTs and ten observational studies show no significant differences in recovery of renal function, fluid removal, days in ICU stay, and biochemical clearance between SLED and CRRT.

SLED is used in both context.



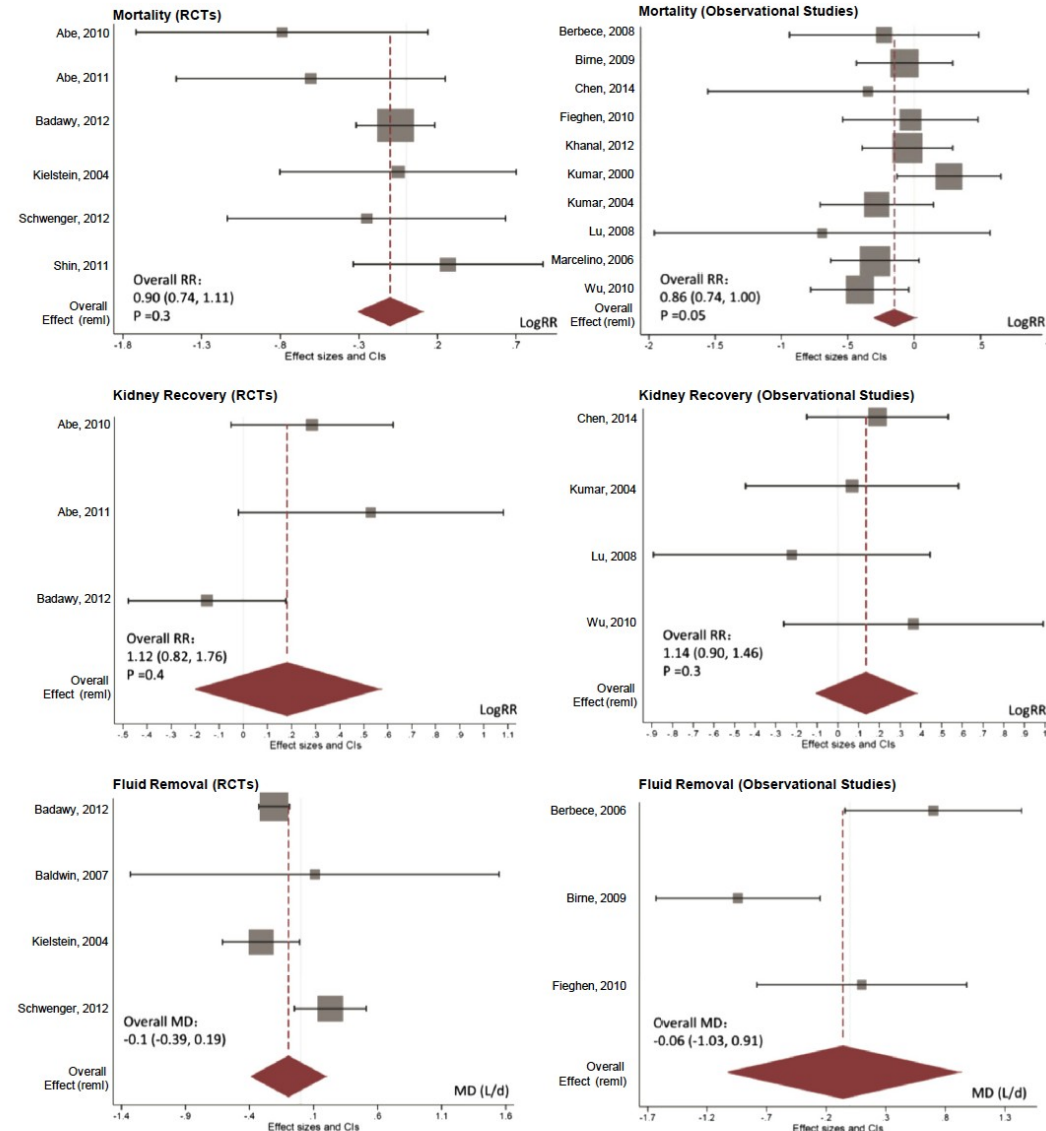
Extended Daily Dialysis Versus Continuous Renal Replacement Therapy for Acute Kidney Injury: A Meta-analysis

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Aiko Tanaka, MD,² and Rinaldo Bellomo, MD, PhD²

- ▶ 17 studies from 2000 to 2014 (7 RCTs and 10 observational studies)
- ▶ No difference in mortality rates between EDD and CRRT (relative risk, 0.90; 95% CI, 0.74-1.11; P 5 0.3).
- ▶ EDD was associated with lower mortality risk compared with CRRT in observational studies (relative risk, 0.86; 95% CI, 0.74-1.00; P 5 0.05)

Extended Dialysis for Acute Kidney Injury

AJKD





Renal replacement therapy in the ICU
VS non-ICU setting
SCUF
(Slow continuous ultrafiltration)

- SCUF is a simple ultrafiltration aimed to reduce the patient's overload and optimize fluid balance
 - SCUF is indicated for patients with chronic or acute heart failure unresponsive to medical therapy
- **Avantages**
- Possibility to use a smaller-bore catheter in a peripheral vein as a vascular access.

SCUF is mainly used in cardiologic ICU.

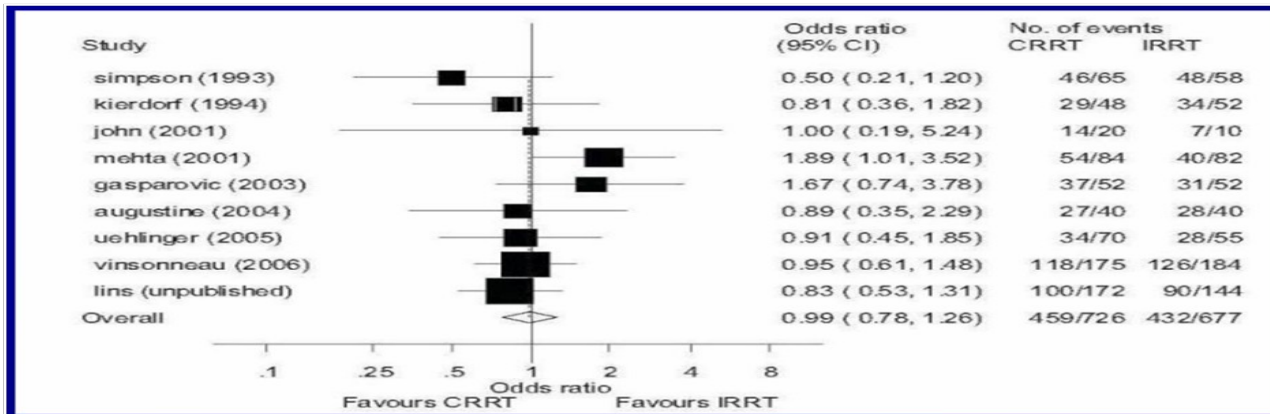
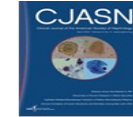
Renal replacement therapy in AKI



No consensus on the optimal modality of RRT

Renal replacement therapy for acute kidney injury: let's follow the evidence.

Ronco C.



CRRT and HD are vastly different therapies that are not mutually exclusive but **rather are complementary** - they provide different options for patients at variable stages of their AKI course.



5.6.1: Use continuous and intermittent RRT as complementary therapies in AKI patients. (Not Graded)

KDIGO Clinical Practice Guideline for Acute Kidney Injury



5.6.3: We suggest using CRRT, rather than intermittent RRT, for AKI patients with acute brain injury or other causes of increased intracranial pressure or generalized brain edema. (2B)

5.6.2: We suggest using CRRT, rather than standard intermittent RRT, for hemodynamically unstable patients. (2B)



Which RRT modality for AKI?

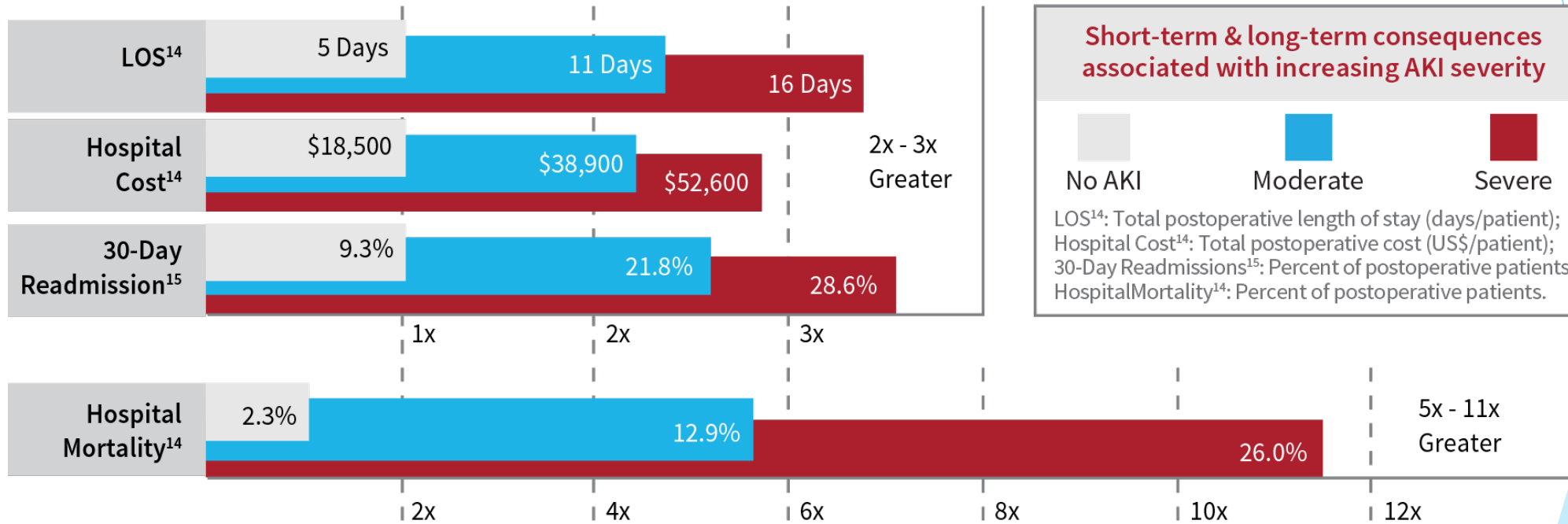
The old, good, clinical common sense

- ▶ Every RRT modality has advantages and adverse effects
- ▶ Different RRT modalities may be required in the clinical course of AKI in the same patient
- ▶ Switch from a modality-centered approach to a patient-centered approach
- ▶ Experience, logistics and costs are key players

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The Acute Kidney Injury effects

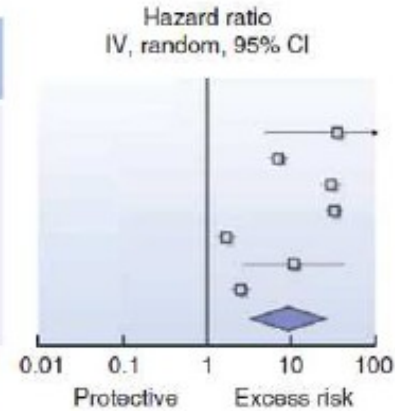


Chronic kidney disease after acute kidney injury: a systematic review and meta-analysis

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Study or subgroup	Weight (%)	Hazard ratio IV, random, 95% CI
Weiss <i>et al.</i> (13)	10.0	32.79 (4.30–249.77)
Amdur <i>et al.</i> (22)	15.5	6.64 (5.05–8.74)
Lo <i>et al.</i> (11)	15.5	28.08 (21.01–37.53)
James <i>et al.</i> (16)	15.6	29.99 (24.32–36.99)
James <i>et al.</i> (15,23)	15.5	1.60 (1.20–2.14)
Ando <i>et al.</i> (19)	12.4	9.91 (2.48–39.63)
Ishani <i>et al.</i> (21)	15.6	2.33 (1.83–2.96)
Total (95% CI)	100.0	8.82 (3.05–25.48)

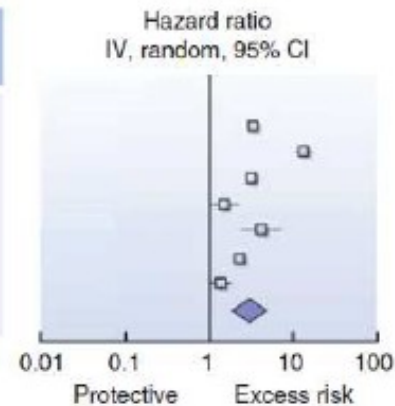


Heterogeneity: $\tau^2 = 1.87$; $\chi^2 = 446.89$, d.f. = 6 ($P < 0.00001$);
 $I^2 = 99\%$. Test for overall effect: $Z = 4.02$ ($P < 0.0001$)

**Il rischio di
progredire
verso una CKD
e' aumentato
di 10 volte**

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Study or subgroup	Weight (%)	Hazard ratio IV, random, 95% CI
Newsome <i>et al.</i> (14)	15.0	3.26 (2.87–3.70)
Ishani <i>et al.</i> (20)	14.8	12.99 (10.57–15.96)
Wald <i>et al.</i> (17)	14.9	3.22 (2.70–3.85)
Hsu <i>et al.</i> (10)	13.5	1.47 (0.95–2.28)
James <i>et al.</i> (15,23)	12.5	4.15 (2.32–7.41)
Lafrance <i>et al.</i> (18)	15.0	2.33 (2.08–2.61)
Choi <i>et al.</i> (12)	14.4	1.37 (1.02–1.84)
Total (95% CI)	100.0	3.10 (1.91–5.03)



Heterogeneity: $\tau^2 = 0.40$; $\chi^2 = 252.85$, d.f. = 6 ($P < 0.00001$);
 $I^2 = 98\%$. Test for overall effect: $Z = 4.58$ ($P < 0.00001$)

**Il rischio di
dialisi cronica e'
aumentato
di 4 volte**

Kidney International (2012) **81**, 442–448;

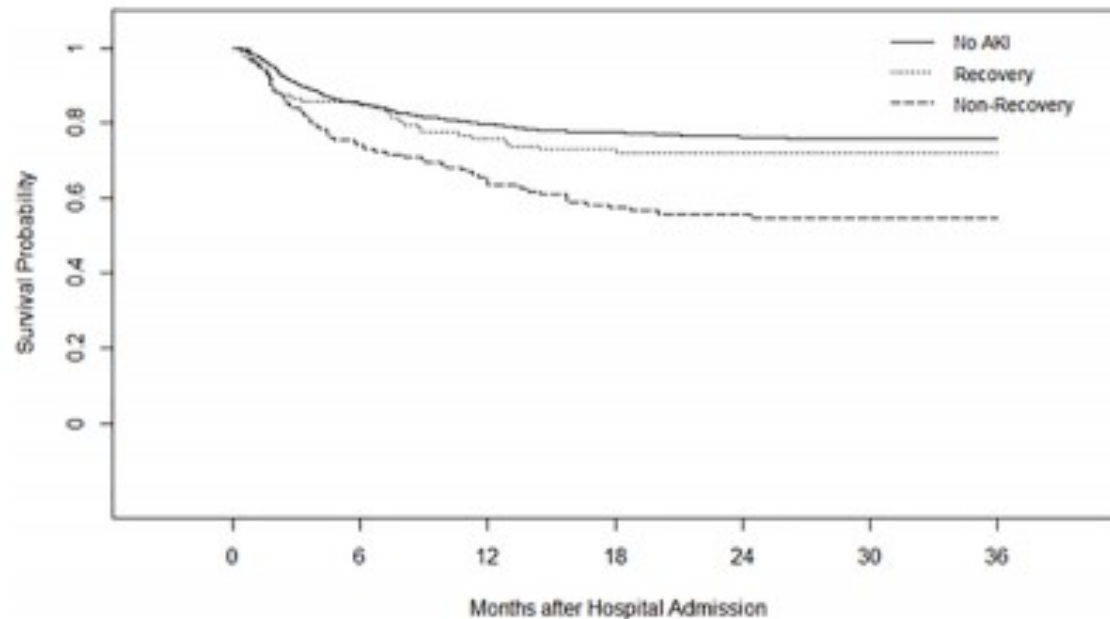
Long-term survival in patients with septic acute kidney injury is strongly influenced by renal recovery

A multicenter study of pneumonia and sepsis

GenIMS

Genetic and Inflammatory Markers of Sepsis

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	Number of subjects at risk						
	0	6	12	18	24	30	36
No AKI	1480 (100%)	1261 (85%)	1180 (79.7%)	979 (66%)	496 (33.5%)	196 (13.2%)	25 (1.6%)
Recovery	111 (100%)	94 (84.6%)	84 (75.6%)	70 (63%)	37 (33.3%)	20 (18%)	6 (5.4%)
Non recovery	151 (100%)	112 (74.2%)	97 (64.2%)	77 (50.9%)	41 (27.1%)	14 (9.2%)	3 (1.9%)

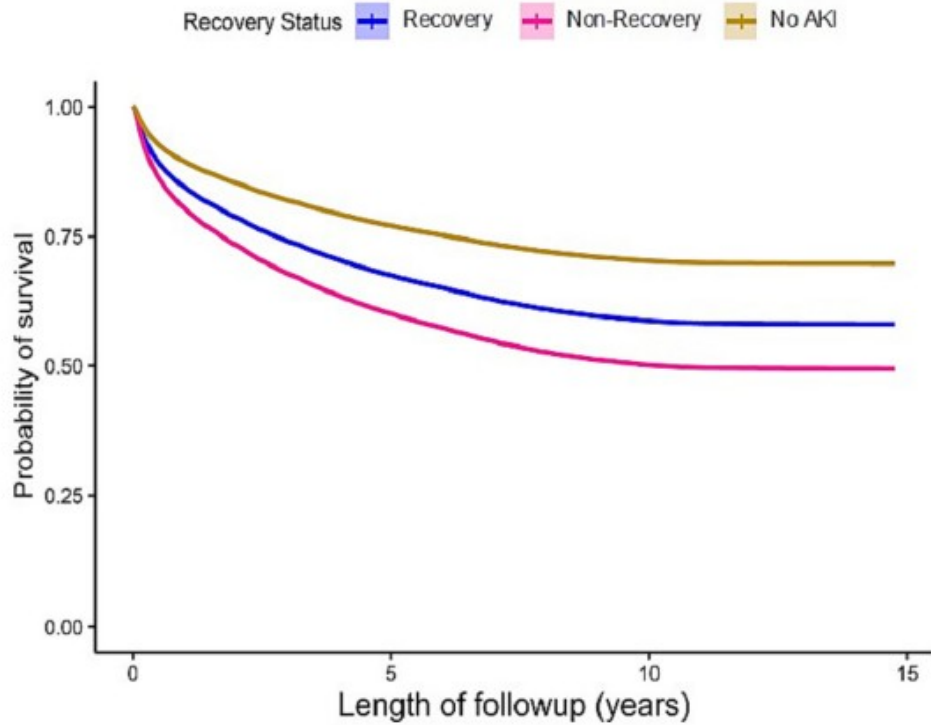
Fig 2. Kaplan-Meier survival curves stratified by recovery status. The three groups are significantly different overall, $p < 0.001$ (Peto-Peto-Prentice test).



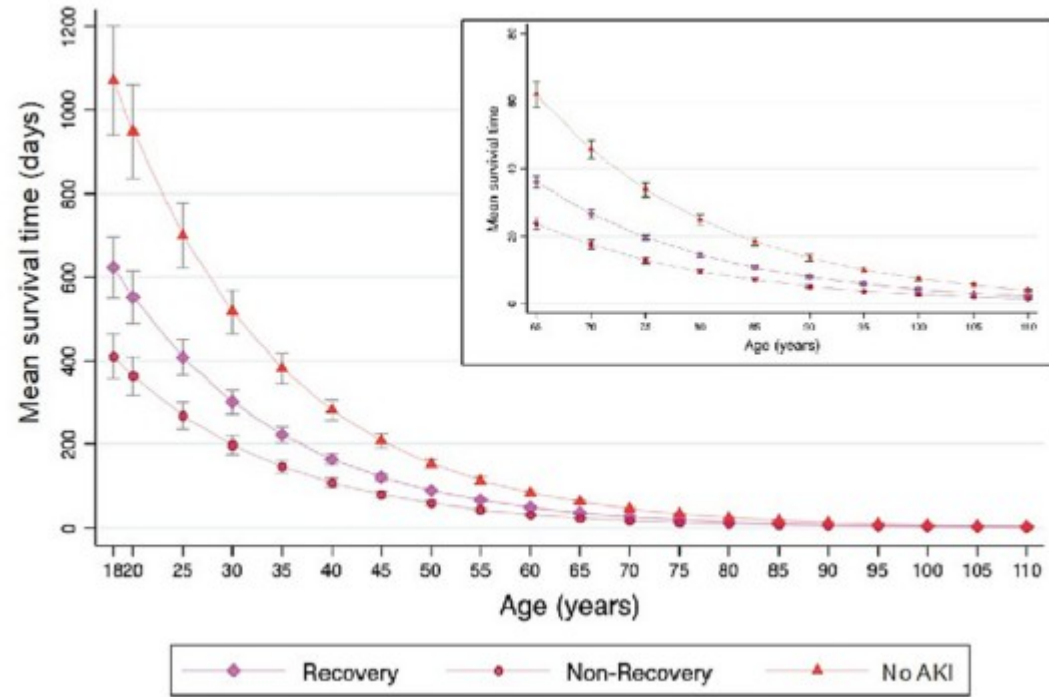
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Recovery after AKI: Effects on outcomes over 15 years

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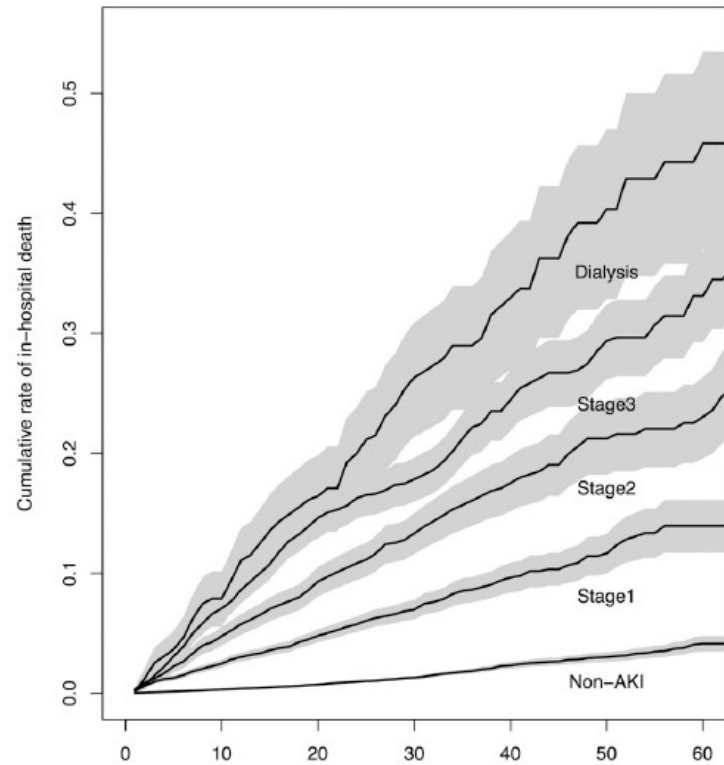
Adjusted Long term survival by AKI Recovery status. Adjusted by age,race,sex,multiple comorbidities



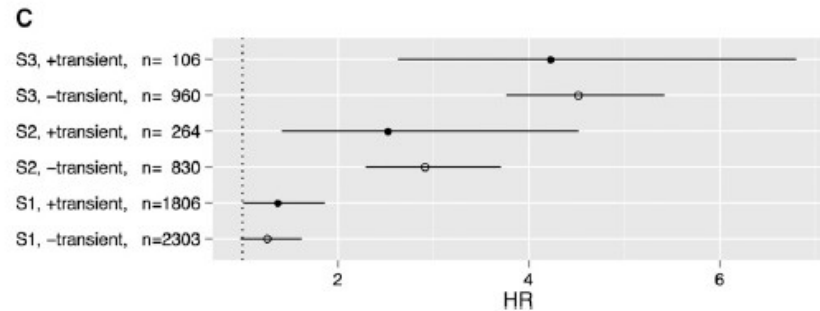
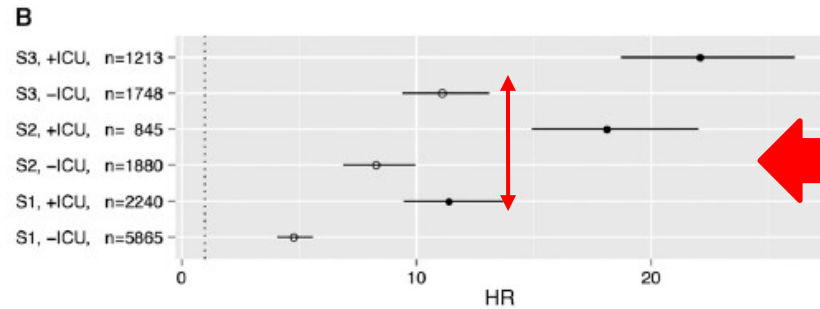
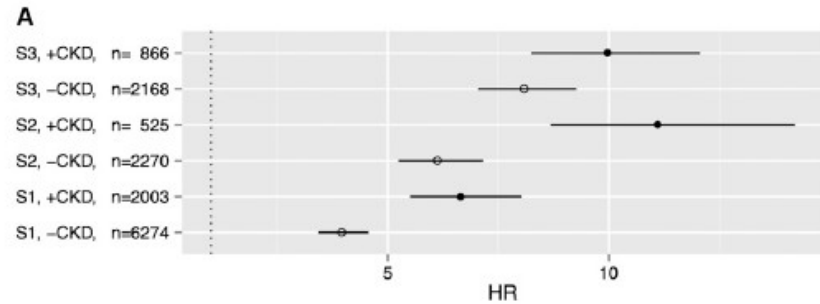
Age-adjusted Average Life expectancy by AKI recovery status at hospital discharge

Epidemiology and Clinical Correlates of AKI in Chinese Hospitalized Adults

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	Days since admission							
Number of patients at risk:	0	10	20	30	40	50	60	
Non-AKI	131163	81585	29441	10299	4494	2326	1292	
Stage 1	8699	6514	3207	1429	750	411	237	
Stage 2	3047	2291	1264	652	371	218	149	
Stage 3	2674	2062	1205	692	407	255	153	
Dialysis	565	424	262	157	95	53	36	

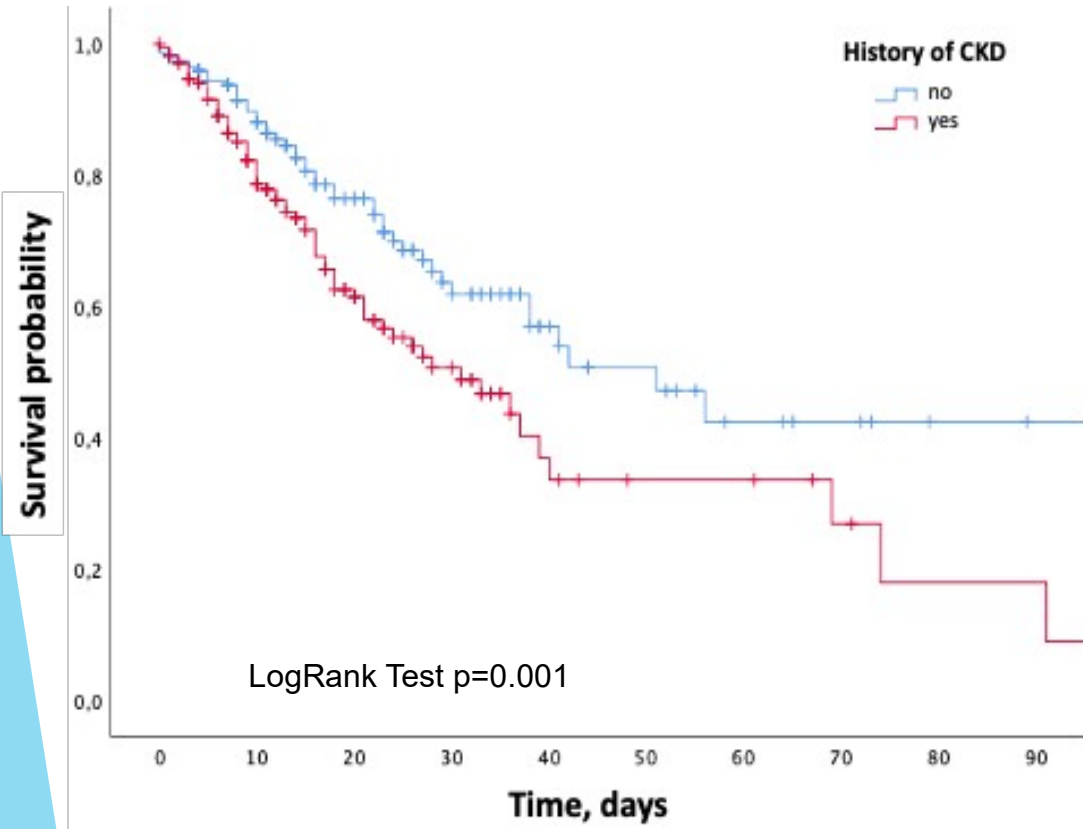


The mortality among patients with Hospital-Acquired-AKI (10.6%) was higher than that among patients with Community-Acquired-AKI (4.7%)

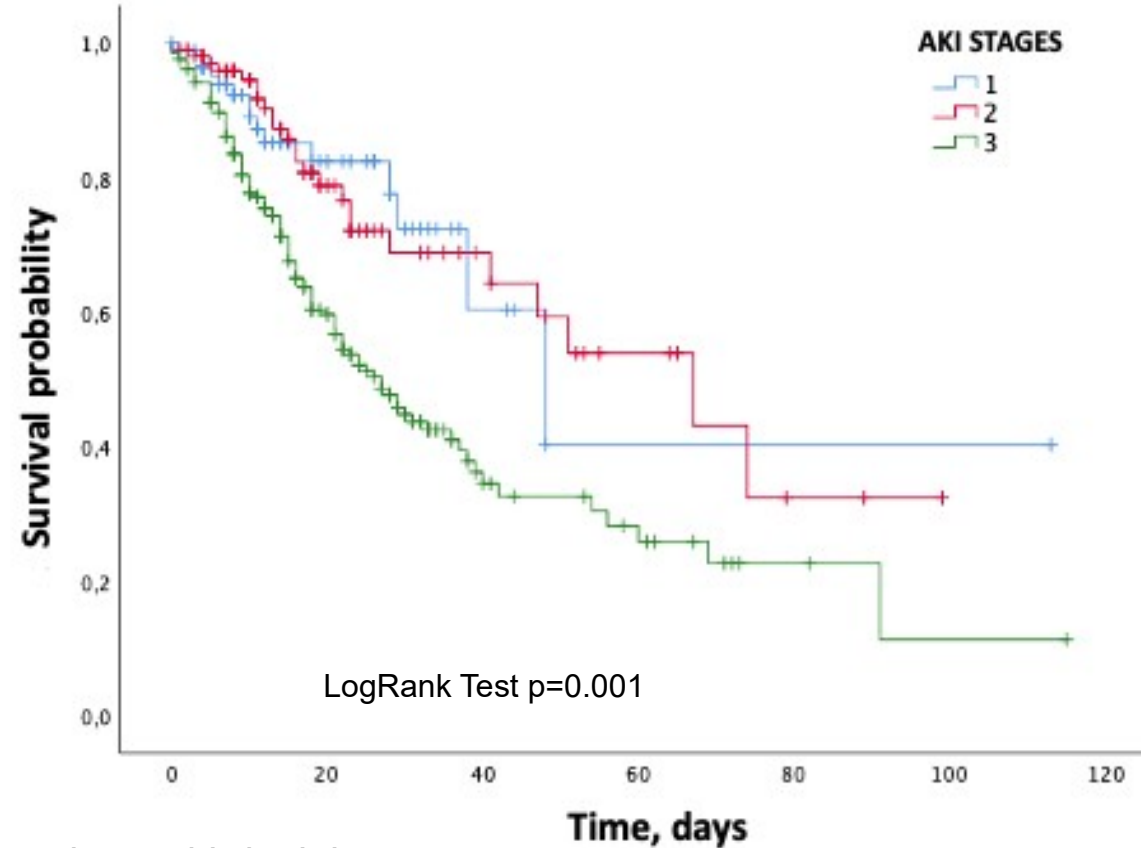
In-hospital survival

153 (36.9%) patients died during hospitalization

In-hospital survival probability stratified according to baseline eGFR

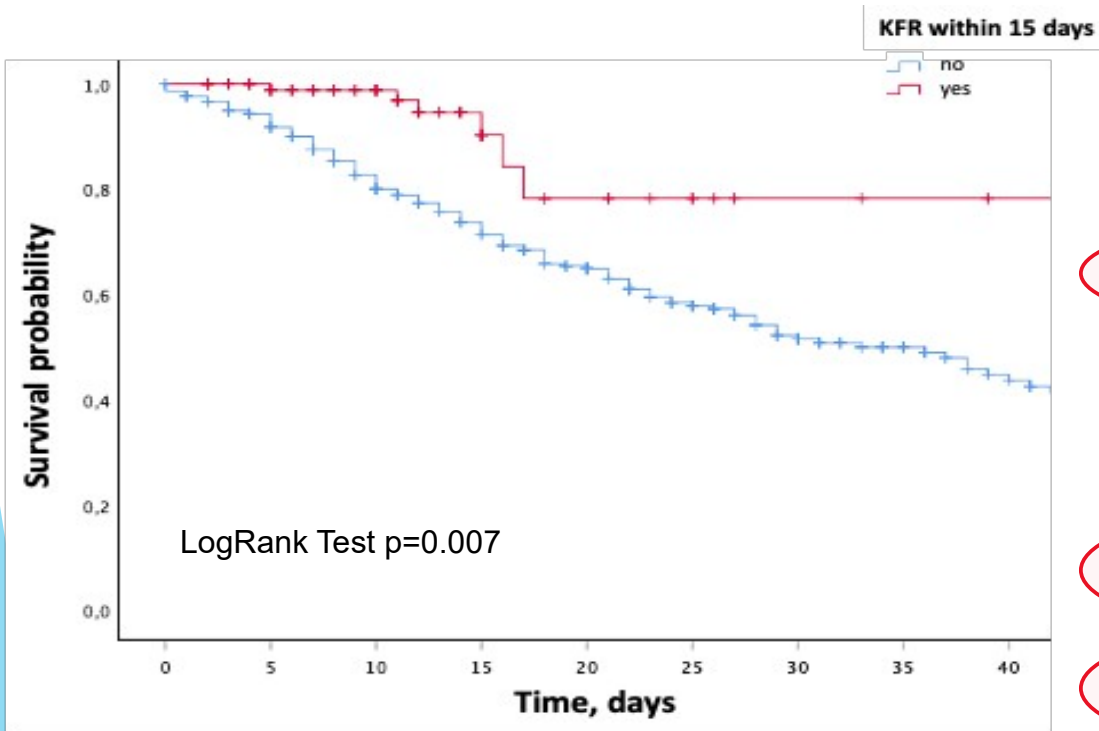


In-hospital survival probability stratified according to AKI stages



In-hospital survival

In-hospital survival probability stratified according to KFR

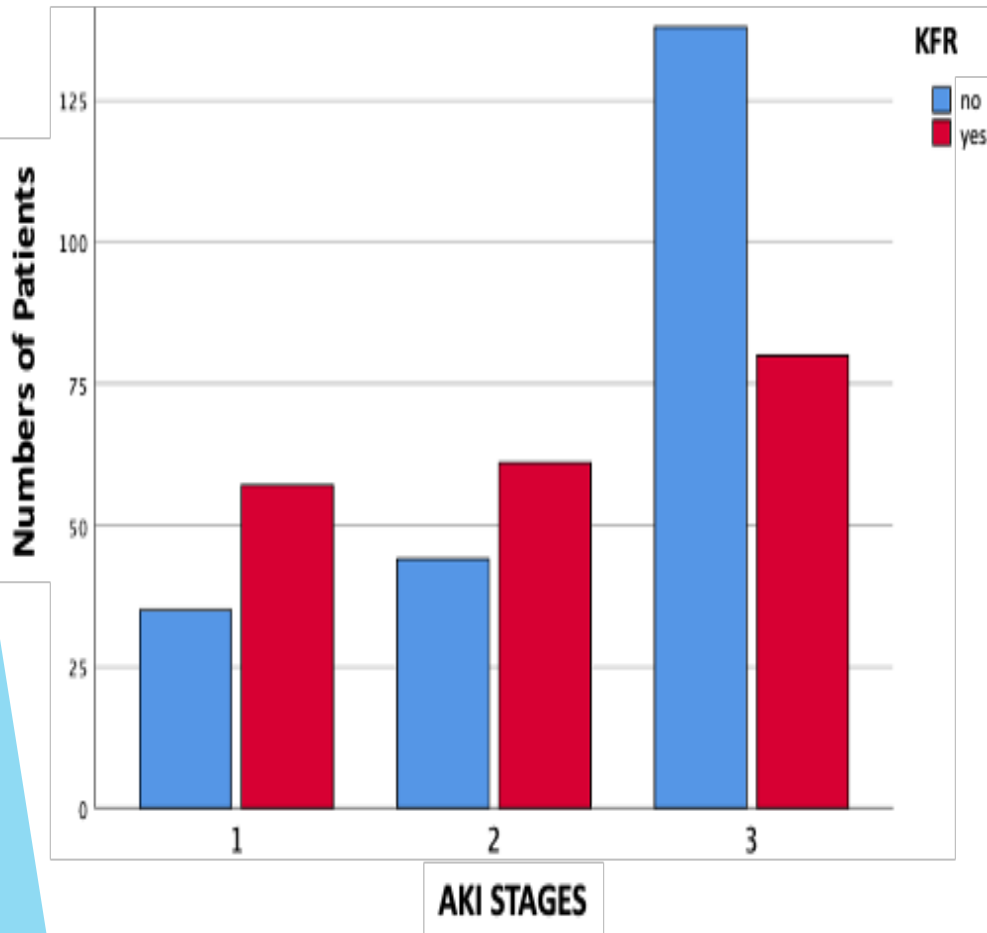


	Univariate Cox regression			Multivariate Cox regression		
	Crude HR	95%CI	p-value	Adjusted HR	95%CI	p-value
Age (years)	1.033	1.018-1.048	<0.001	1.032	1.012-1.053	0.002
Gender (M/F)	0.941	0.675-1.313	0.721	0.896	0.582-1.379	0.618
Baseline eGFR (ml/min/1,73m²)	0.991	0.983-0.999	0.024	0.998	0.99-1.007	0.676
AKI classification (pre-renal vs renal AKI)	3.191	1.624-6.270	0.001	2.828	1.219-6.536	0.015
Kidney function recovery within 15 days	0.258	0.113-0.590	0.001	0.246	0.098-0.615	0.003

Kidney function recovery after AKI

KFR was observed in 197 out of 415 patients (47.5%)

Univariate and multivariate logistic regression analyses of risk factors with kidney function recovery



	Univariate Cox regression			Multivariate Cox regression		
	Crude OR	95%CI	p-value	Adjusted OR	95%CI	p-value
Age (years)	0.982	0.969-0.996	0.009	0.984	0.966-1.004	0.113
Gender (M/F)	0.927	0.627-1.372	0.705	0.636	0.384-1.051	0.077
Baseline eGFR (ml/min/1.73m ²)	1.026	1.016-1.036	<0.001	1.027	1.015-1.038	<0.001
AKI stages (stage 3 vs stages 1-2)	0.388	0.261-0.577	<0.001	0.401	0.235-0.683	0.001
RRT requiring AKI	0.209	0.102-0.428	<0.001	0.451	0.189-1.077	0.073
AKI setting (CA-AKI vs HA-AKI)	1.497	1.013-2.210	0.043	1.307	0.799-2.137	0.287

AKI-D outside ICU...outcomes

	AKI-D (n=54)	AKI non D (n=361)	P-value
Days on AKI	16 (10-31)	16 (9.7-31)	
Days on RRT	10 (3-19.5)		
Renal recovery after AKI	11 (20.3%)	184 (51.1%)	<0.001
Dialysis dependence at hospital discharge	11 (20.3%)		
Transfer to ICU	19 (35.1%)	11 (3.1%)	<0.001
Length of hospital stay, days, median (IQR)	15 (8 - 27)	15 (8-26)	
In-hospital death	28 (51.8%)	124 (34.3)	0.01

Conclusions

- ▶ Are they the same pathology?

Similar pathophysiological mechanisms and causes of AKI.
Different epidemiology

- ▶ Are they treated at the same way?

Personalized approach based on patients' needs

- ▶ Do they have the same outcomes?

Few data available. Worst outcomes compared to AKI non D

